

**REMARKS**

The application has been carefully reviewed in light of the Office Action dated December 12, 2006. This communication is believed to be a full and complete response to that Office Action. Claims 1-20 were pending in the application prior to entry of the present amendments. By the present Office Action, claims 1-20 have been rejected.

By present amendment, claims 1-20 have been canceled and claims 21-38 have been added. No new subject matter has been added.

Applicant reserves the right to pursue all original claims in this or other patent applications. Reconsideration and reexamination of the present application is respectfully requested in light of the foregoing amendments and in view of the following remarks, which establish that the pending claims are directed to allowable subject matter. Applicant respectfully submits that all pending claims are in condition for allowance.

**I. CLAIM REJECTIONS**

***Under 35 U.S.C. § 101***

The Office Action rejects claims 11-18 under 35 U.S.C. § 101 as being directed to non-statutory subject matter. Claims 11-18 have been canceled, rendering the rejections thereto moot.

***Under 35 U.S.C. § 112***

The Office Action rejects claim 19 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph as failing to comply with the enablement requirement. The Office Action states the claim contains subject matter which was not described in the specification in such a way as to enable one skilled in the art to which it pertains, or with which it is most nearly connected, to make and/or use the invention as claimed. Claim 19 has been canceled, rendering the rejection thereto moot.

***Under 35 U.S.C. § 102***

The Office Action rejects claims 1-20 under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being anticipated by *Digital cellular telecommunications system (Phase 2+) (GSM); Universal Mobile Telecommunications System (UMTS); USIM Application Toolkit (USAT); (3GPP ts 31.111 version 4.4.0 Release 4)*, European Telecommunications Standards Institute 2001 (hereinafter *ETSUSIM*). Claims 1-20 have been canceled, rendering the rejections thereto moot.

**II. NEW CLAIMS**

Claims 21-38 have been added, and find full support in the specification as filed. Specifically, support for claims 21-38 can be found throughout the specification which refers to preventing a user from clearing text on a display prior to a specified elapsed time. *See e.g.*, ¶¶ 7, 16 and 19. New claims 22-26 depend from new independent claim 21, new claims 28-32 depend from new independent claim 27, and new claims 34-38 depend from new independent claim 33.

Applicants respectfully submit that new claims 21-38 are directed towards subject matter that is not disclosed or taught by *ETSUSIM*. *ETSUSIM* fails to teach or suggest at least the limitation of specifying a duration in a SIM application for which text is to be displayed *prior to permitting a user to clear said text*. Instead, *ETSUSIM* discloses displaying a message for a specified duration. *ETSUSIM* also discloses displaying the message until a user clears the message. However, *ETSUSIM* fails to disclose the specified duration being associated with the duration the message will be displayed *prior to permitting a user to clear the message*. Accordingly, the Applicants submit that new claims 21-38 are directed to allowable subject matter.

### **III. INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

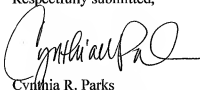
In accordance with paragraph 6 of the Office Action, an Information Disclosure Statement is submitted herewith listing the references in the specification that are related to the claimed invention.

### **IV. CONCLUSION**

In view of the foregoing, Applicants respectfully submit that this application is in condition for allowance. Favorable consideration and prompt allowance are earnestly solicited.

Should Examiner Termanini believe that anything further would be desirable in order to place this application in even better condition for allowance, Examiner Termanini is invited to contact Applicant's undersigned representative at the telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Cynthia R. Parks', with a stylized flourish at the end.

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